(*a*) whether Rs. 15 referred to above in the answer is not the whole of the total value of the jenmam right and the improvements put together for the land proposed to be acquired;

(*b*) whether the jenmies Brahmasri Kanippayyoor Parameswaran Namboodiripad and his nephew Subrahmanian Namboodiripad have not given a *kaichit* to the Chowwannur Panchayat surrendering free the jenmam right of the land required for the proposed footpath;

(*c*) whether the amount of Rs. 7—8—0 referred to in the question referred to above is not the amount to cover the whole of the cost of improvements on the land;

(*d*) whether they will explain the delay in taking possession of the land and the execution of this work, even though the *kaichit* and the amount referred to above were accepted by the Panchayat in Medam 1115 by a special resolution passed by them the same day;

(*e*) whether they will be pleased to execute this work at least before this year is out?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The amount of Rs. 7—8—0 is for acquiring the *kanam* right.

(*d*) Definite proposals are received only now after getting the *kaichit* executed properly.

(*e*) The work will be executed without delay.

"COMMUNAL" SOCIETIES—REGISTRATION OF

203. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether any co-operative society membership whereof is restricted to members of a particular community or communities has been registered by the Registrar of Co-operative Societies in 1115 and 1116;

(*b*) if answer to (*a*) is in the affirmative, which are those societies;

(*c*) has the Registrar refused at any time any application for registration of a society for the reason that the

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society sought to be registered was a "Communal" society?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*)

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1. Trichur Sree Viswakarma Co-operative Society No. 428.
2. Cochin Nayar Samajam Co-operative Society No. 436.

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1. Marathakkara Adiyanthira Sahaya Co-operative Society No. 439.
2. The Cochin Nayar Service Society No. 446.

(*c*) No.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Is it the policy of the Government or even the department to encourage communal societies?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* It is not the policy, but there is no rule which prevents them from registering on communal lines. There are Catholic Societies, Nair Societies, Ezhuva Societies, etc. I am not in favour of this thing. But what can I do? I advised them to change their names. An Ezhuva Society which is one of the best societies promised to change its name. I personally agree with you that such names should not find a place in public societies.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* When there is demand for the registration of such communal societies, may I know whether it would not be advisable to register them as such, as long as there is demand from those people to register as communal?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* That is what we are doing now. I was expressing only my individual opinion that it would be better to give some other name.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* As a matter of fact communal societies have been working very satisfactorily. Is it not better to encourage that?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* But the point is that it is called an Ezhuva society and the membership is not confined to Ezhuvas alone. There are other people.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* If the Minister is referring to the Karamukku Society, the membership is confined to the members of that society alone.

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Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* We see Chalian Bank and Catholic Bank posted on the trees.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* They have been registered under the Companies Act.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Why can't the authorities discourage it ?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* But the point is, according to the existing rules guiding these societies, there is nothing to prevent any community to form a Co-operative Society of this kind.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* What I say is, you may refuse registration.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* I may state for the information of this House that there are authorities on Co-operation in India that communal co-operative societies will thrive. There are such authorities also.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* I may state that the latest authorities on agricultural co-operation have this practice.

Mr. President : Is there any way of arriving at an agreement ?

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* There was a suggestion in the Devadhar's report that communal co-operative societies should be discouraged. But from the experience that we have of some of the co-operative societies with regard to this movement, it has been found that communal co-operative societies neeed not be tabooed from the existing state of affairs. That is why I asked the question.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* We have not tabooed it. As I said, opinions may differ. I personally think that a development on these lines is not very hopeful for the future. That is my individual opinion.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* There has been a pronouncement from important authorities on co-operation in Cochin State that communal co-operative societies should be discouraged, though, according to some co-operators, it is not a practice to be followed.

Mr. President : Best opinions are divided.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* There is no objection, as the law at present stands, for registration of communal co-operative societies.

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Mr. K. Kochukunhan Kaimal *(Vadakkancheri):* Is the body to promote communal interests?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* I will be blunt. What happens in these co-operative societies is that these societies gain some strength when it is associated with a community; for we are all communalists when all is said and done. That is the position.

VACCINATORS' TRAINING—SELECTION OF CANDIDATES

204. Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty *(Ezhuvas-Trichur):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether a selection of candidates for vaccination training was made in the year 1116;

(*b*) the number of candidates selected showing a caste-war list of the same;

(*c*) the date on which orders were issued to the selected candidates;

(*d*) the qualification of the candidates selected;

(*e*) whether one Miss Kootala Saraswathi (Nayar community) has been selected for the above training;

(*f*) the date on which orders were issued to her;

(*g*) her qualifications?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 53. Please see list placed on the Table.

(*c*) Vide list placed on the Table.

(*d*) Vide list placed on the Table.

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) 19th February 1941.

(*g*) School Final Course.

DEPRESSED CLASSES CONVERTS—EDUCATIONAL CONCESSIONS

205. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to print and place on the Council Table Government Orders issued from time to time by Government, excluding that of the 29th October 1940, in connection with the eligibility of converts from the Depressed Classes to receive the educational concessions, etc.?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* As the orders are not specified, no answer can be given.

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